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In re U.S. Patent Application

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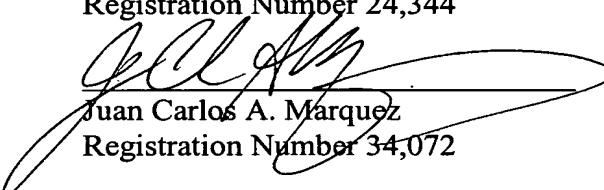
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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on February 27, 2004, the period of response to which is set to expire on May 27, 2004. Please amend the above-referenced application as follows: